

SPORTING REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S EVENTS

Lawmakers Still Lead the Pennant Race—In the Past Week Danville Has Cut Down Richmond's Lead to Eight Points.

VIRGINIA STATE LEAGUE

Club	Won	Lost	P.C.
Richmond	59	35	.628
Danville	57	35	.619
Roanoke	49	50	.495
Portsmouth	41	49	.456
Norfolk	37	56	.400
Lynchburg	37	54	.407

Games To-Day.

Richmond at Portsmouth.
Roanoke at Norfolk.
Lynchburg at Danville.

BY J. MILLER LEAKE,

Sporting Editor of The Times-Dispatch.
At this time last week Richmond was thirty-eight points ahead of the Bugs, but a consultation with the percentage column will show that Danville has reduced that lead by thirty points in the last week of play. The lawmakers had a long series in the Hill City, where they dropped two games to the Shoemakers. On Thursday they lost to Roanoke, while Danville won each day with the exception of Thursday's game, which they tied. Portsmouth is playing great ball, and has pulled herself up to fourth place by dint of good, hard, consistent ball-playing. Roanoke is doing good work, and Pop Shaffer has every reason to be proud of his aggregation of ball-tossers. Norfolk and Lynchburg are having a race for the bottom of the ladder, and both have had a season of bad slump.

Changes in the League.
It is an open rumor that the Roanoke team and franchise will go to Petersburg, and that the Highlanders will finish the season as the Petersburg team. The attendance in the Highland stronghold has been steadily falling off, until it seems that a change is necessary, and it is nearly as assured fact that the franchise of one of the smaller cities will be transferred to the city by the Appomattox.

Norfolk's manager, Bob Pender, has resigned the managership and has been released from the team, and the Mary Jane has a new pilot in Bonner, who, with several new players, which the team has newly acquired, ought to soon have the old ship with a good crew sailing steadily on the high seas to baseball honors.

With the National League Teams.
Pittsburg is still holding her own in the race for pennant honors, and New York is pushing her hard for the first position; several of the other teams are in striking distance, and at this stage of the game it would be hard to pick the winner with any degree of certainty.

The American League Clubs.
In the American League Detroit and St. Louis are having nearly as close a contest for the lead of their pennant ladder, and Cleveland and Chicago are both putting up a great game, and are within hailing distance of the leaders. Detroit has been weakened somewhat by the absence of the great and only Ty Cobb, who is absent on his honeymoon, but they are still winning most of their games.

Good Pitching Records.
Sitton, of Augusta, and Salve, of the Columbia team, of the South Atlantic League, have both pitched no-hit games of late. Sitton on Friday last pitched both games of a double-header, and won both, letting his opponent down in each game with three hits and no runs.

But all records were broken in the Carolina League on August 6th, when Stoehr, of Anderson, pitched a double-header, winning the first by a score of 1 to 2. In this nine innings game he kept his opponents down to six scattered hits. But in the second game his work was particularly brilliant; the contest went for fifteen innings, and up to the twentieth inning not a single hit was made of Stoehr's delivery, and only two hits were made off him in the entire fifteen frames. The Passaic of Brighton Beach Track, Brighton Beach track to-day will be divided up into building lots, the property having been purchased by a real estate firm for that purpose. The passing of this track, on which so many good turf events have been pulled off, will be a source of much sorrow to all who love horse-racing. If that old stretch of track could only speak how many a tale of thrilling encounters between kings of the turf.

HOW ENGLAND SCORED IN OLYMPIAN GAMES

All the big events were won by the United States, but England and her colonies won a host of what are known as "outlets" sports.

EVENTS WON BY GREAT BRITAIN.

Lawn Tennis—Men's singles, doubles and ladies' singles; covered courts ditto.
Inuquits—Singles and doubles.
Clay Bridge—Team competition.
Shooting—Individual competition.
Miniature Rifle—Team individual competition, disappearing target and moving target.
Tolo.
Walking—3,500 metres and ten miles.
Cycling—Twenty kilometres and 680 yards, team pursuit race, 5,000 metres and 100 kilometres.
Running—Three miles team race, 3,200 metres steeplechase, five miles and 400 metres.
Swimming—400 metres, 200 metres breast stroke, team race and 1,500 metres.
Water Polo.
Tug of War.
Archery—Men's and ladies' competitions.
Wrestling—Middleweight, catch-as-catch-can; heavyweight, catch-as-catch-can; lightweight, catch-as-catch-can.
Hop, Step and Jump.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Shooting—Team competition.
Running Deer—Individual competition (double shot).
Hammer—500 metres, 800 metres, 400 metres hurdles, 110 metres hurdles, the Marathon race and 1,000 metres relay.
Dixons Throwing (free style and Athenian style).
Fencing the Sabre.
Swimming—100 metres and high diving.
Pole Jump.
Standing Broad Jump.
Running High Jump.
Running Long Jump.
Standing High Jump.
Wrestling—Bantam-weight and feather-weight, catch-as-catch-can.

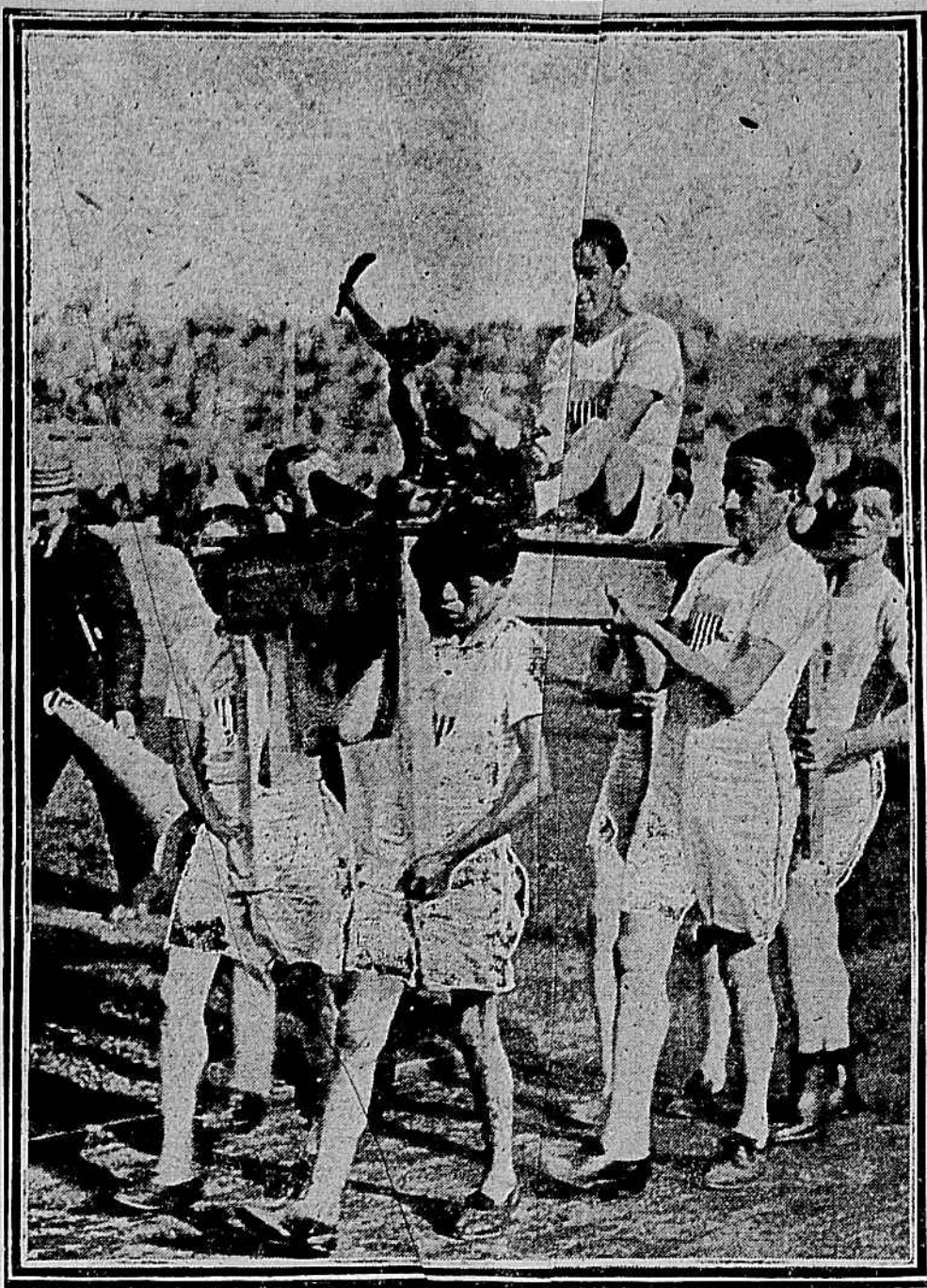
HOW THE NATIONS STAND.

Country	Points
United Kingdom	88
United States	22
Sweden	7
France	4
Hungary	3
Germany	2
Norway	2
Canada	2
Italy	2
Belgium	1
South Africa	1
Finland	1
Total	85

PREVIOUS WINNERS OF THE MARATHON RACE.

At Athens, 1896, distance 24 miles 1,500 yards—S. Louis, Greece. Time, 2 hours 55 minutes 20 seconds.
At Paris, 1900, distance 25 miles—M. Theunis, France. Time, 2 hours 50 minutes 45 seconds.
At St. Louis, 1904, distance 24 miles 1,500 yards—T. J. Hicks, United States of America. Time, 2 hours 28 minutes 35 seconds.
At Athens, 1906, distance 24 miles—M. D. Sheering, Canada. Time, 2 hours 51 minutes 23 seconds.
London, 1908, distance 26 miles 385 yards—Hayes. Time, 2 hours 54 minutes 40 seconds.

WINNER OF THE MARATHON RACE



HAYES, WITH THE TROPHY.

The trophy is a figure of Pheidippides, the famous Greek runner who brought the news of victory to Athens.

PURSE FOR PLAYERS

There is a general desire manifesting itself among the baseball lovers in this city to reward the Richmond team substantially in case they bring the pennant to Richmond. The lawmakers are playing good ball, and it is the desire of the Richmond fans that the good work on which will clinch Richmond's hold on first place and unfurl the pennant over Broad Street Park.

They will (as all of Richmond's fans and families expect them to) the pennant. The sporting editor of this paper will each day acknowledge in the sporting columns the names of all those subscribing and the amount of their contribution, and when the team wins out the purse will be divided among the players. In case no unforeseen thing as not winning the race should occur, the funds contributed will be returned to those contributing.

This purse will be begun right away, and no doubt many of our fans will gladly subscribe to this good cause. Let us take for a motto "Every little bit helps," and secure a big purse for the 1908 pennant leaders.

FOOTBALL UNDER THE NEW RULES

Alterations Tend to Make Game
More Open Than Ever
Before.

Official football rules for next fall are out, and there are several changes in them which probably will have a tendency to make the game more open. Alterations have been made on the forward pass, on the penalty for hurling and roughness, fouling, time to be taken out and the intermission between halves.

The change in which the football enthusiasts are most interested is the forward pass, although the alterations are not so great as to make much difference. The rule regarding that particular play was altered to the extent that when the forward pass is legally touched only the man of the passer's side who thus first legally touches it shall be entitled to recover the ball until it has been touched by an opponent. Also, if a forward pass is thus legally touched, fumbled and touched by another player of the passer's side before the ball has touched an opponent, the oval shall go to the opponents on the side where it was first legally touched.

"Spalding's Guide" also states in regard to that play that while the ball is in the air for a forward pass, players of the defensive side may not use their hands or arms on opponents, except to push them out of the way in order to get the ball themselves. Players of the side making the pass who are eligible to receive the pass may use the hands and arms, as in case of players going down the field under a kick. Neither side may, however, hold to tackle an opponent who has not the ball, or pass a forward pass is illegally touched outside of these provisions, the penalty shall be that the ball go to the opponents at the spot from which the pass was made.

The rule regarding hurling and roughness has been changed to read: "Loss of fifteen yards, point to be gained and number of downs to remain unchanged."

A field judge has been made time-keeper, and, with the umpire, jurisdiction over the ruling of a halted ball, which has been altered to read that the penalty for halting the ball forward is made loss of it to the offending side.

In regard to all penalties for fouls it has been determined that they may be declined by the offending side, except penalties under the forward pass. This, however, in case where the disqualification does not save the player from being put out of the game.

Instead of having 10-minute intermission between halves, it has been determined to extend the time to fifteen minutes. The teams are to be notified three minutes before the expiration of the time. If one of the eleven does not appear on the field five minutes afterward the ball will be put in play as first down by the offending side on the offending side's 40-yard line.

Another change is that if a ball on a forward pass or a kicked ball, except

LEADERS BUNCHED FOR T.D. PRIZE

Only 6,000 Votes Separate Doyle
From Kanzler, With Revell
and Lipe in Between

Four weeks from to-day The Times-Dispatch gold prize will be awarded the most popular player in the Virginia State League. Who that player will be is at present a matter of much doubt, for any man in the league has still a good chance of winning out. Of the many well up in the sands, four stand well at the top—Kanzler, Revell, Lipe and Doyle.

There the first three are Richmonders, but Doyle, of Danville, is so close behind that he can pass at any time. Kanzler leads Revell by about 4,000 votes; Revell leads Lipe by 125 votes, and Lipe is ahead of Doyle a little less than 2,000.

It's a red-hot race, with three men drawing from Richmond voters and one man backed by Danville and other cities of the State.

To-morrow, Sunday's big vote will begin to pour in, and by the end of the week the 2,000,000 mark will be passed.

Let all the Fanatics and Fans get busy with the ballots:

The score follows:

Kanzler	22,668
Revell	21,823
Lipe	21,603
Doyle	21,257
Titman	8,602
Ison	6,875
Siebert	6,029
Boen	4,282
Pox	4,257
Sandherr	41,233
Cowan	27,915
McKenzie	26,271
Messitt	26,115
Fisher	9,611
McMahon	8,220
Stinson	4,182
Quinn	3,192
Vail	1,710
Hooker	1,800
Shaffer	1,181
Kirkpatrick	1,044

Times-Dispatch Bureau.
Petersburg, Va., August 9.
109 North Sycamore Street.

While it has been understood here that Petersburg will enter the State Baseball League next year, no confirmation could be ascertained to-day of the report that the franchise of Roanoke or Danville would be secured at an early date, and the change made this season.

Mr. W. Gordon McCabe, owner of the Petersburg team, is out of the city, visiting at Magnolia, Mass. One thing is certain, and that is that he is building up the Petersburg team to a first class organization, and it is now about the equal of any in the State.

Count 1 VOTE FOR

Name of Player

This vote expires and is void unless received at the office of The Times-Dispatch before noon of FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 1908.

Fill out and mail or deliver to

Baseball Ballot Editor, The Times-Dispatch, Richmond, Va.

Contest closes at 12 o'clock noon Saturday, September 5, 1908. Prize awarded on Labor Day.

STINSON IS 1,000 IN FIELDING COLUMN

Jay Kanzler Is Making That
Stick of His Do Good and
Valiant Service.

BY JESSE D. COATS.

Jay Kanzler, who is conceded by all to be the first choice of the Virginia State League, continues to wield his bat at a lively clip, and has now replaced Titman in the club's batting list. Kanzler led the team in batting for the week, hitting .334 for the seven games. Stinson still holds onto first position, and for the week it was a close race between him and Kanzler for batting honors. Kanzler getting eight hits to Stinson's seven. Quinn also made big gains in batting and is occupying second berth.

Stinson's fielding is still at the 1,000 point, having accepted every chance. Quinn leads the pitchers with 100.000, having pitched four games for the week's work and is tied with Heffron for second place.

For Roanoke Hessler, the fleet-footed outfielder, leads his teammates with the stick.

In fielding Reynolds excels in this department, with Morrissey and Shaffer following.

Player	AB	R	H	P.C.
Stinson	70	12	27	.342
Quinn	70	11	30	.362
Messitt	60	11	30	.362
Kanzler	34	3	8	.235
Titman	34	3	8	.235
Sandherr	23	3	7	.304
Ison	20	4	0	.200
Cowan	14	4	0	.286
Heffron	34	5	6	.176
Lipe	32	4	5	.156
Siebert	31	7	9	.161
Sparks	72	3	11	.153
Revell	86	6	11	.124
McKenzie	51	2	5	.099

Player	AB	E	P.C.
Stinson	35	1	0.1000
Siebert (cf)	32	2	0.1000
Sparks	18	5	1.583
Revell	20	1	.050
Cowan	16	7	4.384
Kanzler	35	6	1.714
McKenzie	6	3	1.500
Messitt	20	0	0.000
Titman	13	1	.077
Ison	19	0	.000
Quinn	4	1	.250
Heffron	12	1	.083
Sandherr	22	0	.000
Siebert (2b)	15	2	.250

Player	AB	E	P.C.
Stinson	20	0	.0000
Heffron	20	0	.0000
Kanzler	20	0	.0000
Lipe	20	0	.0000
Boen	10	0	.0000
Sandherr	10	0	.0000
Stinson	6	0	.0000
Messitt	5	0	.0000
Quinn	5	0	.0000
Cowan	2	0	.0000
Siebert	2	0	.0000
Sparks	2	0	.0000
Revell	2	0	.0000

Player	W	L	T	P.C.
Quinn	6	0	0	1.000
McKenzie	12	5	1	.706
Revell	8	2	1	.800
Sparks	10	7	3	.583

Player	AB	R	H	P.C.
Hessler	35	4	9	.257
Kunkle	37	5	11	.297
Vernelle	72	13	23	.324
Reynolds	67	17	23	.343
King	16	2	4	.250
Lohr	33	5	8	.242
Painter	30	3	8	.267
Shaffer	33	2	8	.242
Morrissey	99	4	19	.192
McGhee	145	6	24	.165
Boyle	145	6	24	.165
Oley	38	2	5	.132

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Reynolds	11	0	1	.985
Morrissey	8	9	2	.882
Shaffer	1,988	39	23	.980
Boyle	173	5	5	.973
Vernelle	22	2	1	.917
Kunkle	55	11	3	.856
Hessler	123	10	1	.922
Lohr	188	18	12	.945
McGhee	31	54	5	.345
King	36	5	7	.838
Painter	24	21	2	.821
McMahon	253	35	42	.921

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Morrissey	14	1	1	.938
Reynolds	10	8	0	.556
Vernelle	11	13	1	.448
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